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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Research and Development Branch

SUBJECT : Project CORONA/General Electric
Letters to AFMD

1. Attached hereto are two letters written by Mr. H. W. Paige, General Manager, General Electric Missile and Space Vehicle Department. One is dated 15 April 1959, and addressed to Brigadier General O. J. Ritland; the other is dated 28 April 1959, and addressed to Colonel R. D. Curtin, AFMD. Both of these letters were forwarded to this Headquarters by Colonel Sheppard.

2. I have reviewed these letters and wish to advise that Mr. Paige definitely violated security in his letter of 15 April to General Ritland wherein he associated various photographic components to the current Thor-boosted program. It is my recommendation that Mr. Paige be asked to come to Project Headquarters for a meeting either with you or Mr. Bissell. You will note from his letters he is somewhat unhappy about the relationship of GE to AFMD. It is my feeling that he should be given the opportunity to discuss his feelings in person; and at the same time, he should be severely reprimanded for his violation of CORONA security. Following your discussion with Mr. Paige I would like the opportunity of reviewing with him the Security implications of these letters within his company.



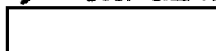
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Attachment

2 Letters written by
Mr. H. W. Paige

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